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Conners honored as Man and Woman of the Year

of the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, a husband and wife have been selected Man and Woman of the Year for 1999.

Randall Conner and his wife, Susan, were honored during the annual banquet Saturday evening at the Winters Community Center before a crowd of about 250

Woman of the Year.

Year, presented Mr. Conner's High School. award.

Susan was born June 8, 1949, and graduated from Farwell High School in Farwell, Texas. She received a bachelor of music degree with piano pedagogy major from Texas Tech in 1971. She did graduate work in music theory and was a teaching assistant in piano at Texas Tech in 1971 and 1974.

tified piano teacher through the Texas Music Teachers Association (TMTA) for twenty years, a member of the National Guild of Piano Teachers, and a member of the Abilene Music Teachers Association, serving on numerous committees and holding several offices in each organization.

Susan has served as editor of the TMTA magazine and had an

For the first time in the history article published in the American gree in agronomy in 1974 from Music Teacher in April, 1992.

She has been teaching piano in in crop science. Winters since 1975, and teaches music workshops at Mary-Hardin Baylor in Belton and Central Texas College in Killeen each summer.

She married Randall Conner on January 15, 1972, and they have three sons: Kevin, 21, who Presenting the award to Susan attends Angelo State University; Conner was Shirley Hall, 1998 Dennis, 19, who attends McMurry University in Abilene: ing as well as manager of Farm-Aref Hassan, 1998 Man of the and Craig, 16, a junior at Winters ers Seed and Supply since 1978.

Susan and Randall are avid supporters of their sons' school activities, driving approximately 4,400 miles in the fall of 1998, attending three football games per weekend.

Susan has worked with the boy scouts and taught Sunday School. She is a member of the First Baptist Church where she serves as church pianist. She serves as sec-She has been a nationally cer- retary-treasurer of the Blizzard Fellowship Hall. Booster Club, and is a substitute teacher at Winters High School.

Randall Conner was born August 16, 1949, to Robert and Ila (Mitchell) Conner, and graduated from Winters High School in 1967. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1971 with a bachelor of science degree in agricultural engineering. He received a bachelor of science deTexas Tech, doing graduate work

Upon graduation from Texas Tech, he received a commission through ROTC as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, serving until 1973. He received an Army Commendation for participation in major defense exercises in North Carolina and Alaska.

From 1975 to the present, he has been self-employed in farm-He served as manager for Winters Seed Company from 1985-1987, as this phase of the operation was separate until it merged into Farmers Seed and Supply in

Randall is an active member of the First Baptist Church of Winters where he has served on numerous committees including building committee chairman for construction of the new Jones

He has served as trustee for the Winters Independent School District, serving as secretary for two years and board president for two

He has also served in various offices of Winters Young Farmers, Winters Lions Club, Runnels County Extension Program, Runnels County Crops Committee,

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Randall and Susan Conner Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Man and Woman of the Year

What's the water supply situation?

With only a trace of measurable rainfall over what seems like forever, some area citizens have expressed concern about the future availability of drinking water from Elm Creek Reservoir.

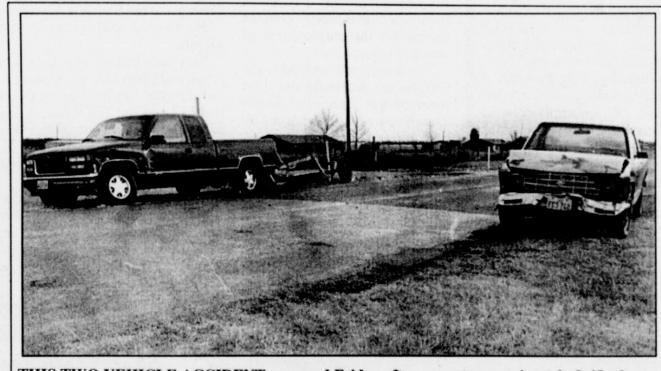
According to City Administrator Aref Hassan, the city presently has 4-5 years' water supply, calculated as follows:

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gallons

 1,098,117,870 gallons when lake is half full divided by 2 hundred million gallons average usage per year

 equals 5.49 years of water left in the lake (not considering evaporation count).



THIS TWO VEHICLE ACCIDENT occurred Friday afternoon at approximately 3:45 when a GMC pickup driven by Billie Angel, 70, of Winters, was struck by a Chevrolet pickup driven by Andrew Williams, 17. The accident happened at the intersection of the Drasco Highway and CR 409. Angel was taken by ambulance to North Runnels Hospital then transferred to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. She was released on Monday, Jan. 25. Williams was not injured in the mishap. Both drivers were wearing seatbelts.

City council starts annexations Public hearings coming up

The City of Winters has taken the first step in the annexation process on eight properties.

Property belonging to the following owners is being annexed under new laws that, without the request of the owners, allow annexation of property that receives water and sewer services:

Bagwell Enterprises/Car Grenwelge Texaco

Susie Lancaster residence North Runnels Water Corp. Tommy/Marthiel Russell/Hydro-Chem building

Gene Bernal/Casa Cabana Restaurant and

K. W. Cook residence Two property owners, Mrs. Teresa Davis, Jr., and Mr. Merle Wright, have petitioned to have

their properties annexed. These eight properties are the first among approximately 25 be-

ing scheduled for annexation.

Public hearings will be scheduled within the next two to three weeks, according to City Administrator Aref Hassan.

K. W. Cook presented a design for a boat dock for Elm Creek Reservoir. His presentation was requested by Hassan after several citizens had complained that there is no place to park boats for a short period of time.

The presented plan is for a 100 ft. by 6 ft. walkway and a 9 ft. x 9 ft. platform. The dock would be hinged to move with the level of the lake. The council instructed Hassan to find funding, get an estimated cost, and report back to the next meeting.

The council amended the budget to allow for the purchase of a sewer pump for the city farm. The present pump is unrepairable.

Hassan reported that the computer maintenance company's agreement for the city's software would not continue past March 15, 1999, because of the year 2000 problems. Council members Steve Esquivel and Jimmy Butler instructed Hassan to find a software that will work on the present computers, for a cost of between \$4,000-\$5,000.

A request by the Winters Public Library board of directors for three dates to use the community center without a fee was granted by the council.

Present for the meeting were councilmen Tommy Russell, Steve Esquivel, Jimmy Butler, and Joe Gerhart, Mayor Dawson McGuffin and City Administrator Aref Hassan.

WISD trustees buy property

In a called meeting at 6:30 a.m. on Jan. 21, members of the Winters Independent School District board of trustees voted unanimously to approve the purchase of property at 709 N. Rogers for

This property is adjacent to the location of the new junior high school facility currently under construction. Acquisition of this property now gives ownership of the entire block to WISD.

Trustees also voted to approve the rental of two school vehicles, a Chevrolet Lumina and an 8-passenger Astro van from Bahlman Chevrolet of Winters.

Present for the meeting were Allen Andrae, Michael Davis, Rodrick Bredemeyer, Larry Walker, Superintendent Mike Harris, Business Manager Jimmy Butler and Curriculum Director Terry Wyatt.

Lutherans to host Super Bowl celebration with Christmas in April free will barbecue

Get "warmed up" for your Su- for this worthy project. per Bowl celebration this Sunday, Jan.31 by coming to the school cafeteria in Winters.

You will be served a delicious meal of barbecued brisket, Teresa Davis at 754-5422. chicken, beans, potato salad, bread, dessert, and tea from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All of the profit from your free will donation will go to Christmas in April of Winters.

Brotherhood Branch 8824 and Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 7878, raised over \$4,000

If you cannot attend, takeouts are available. If you'd like to order whole briskets or chickens, call Nancy Spill at 754-4073 or

The folks of St. John's Lutheran Church will be lined up and ready to serve you a super dinner on Super Bowl Sunday for a super project.

The other Lutheran affiliations Last year this dinner, with are on the sidelines ready to give matching funds from Lutheran their support. So come get in the game. Enjoy a great meal and do some real good for real people in Winters.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Jan. 28-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

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1:30 p.m., Select Choir Performance, Coleman Elementary Jan. 30-10 a.m.-6 p.m., Arts & Crafts Festival, San Angelo Coliseum

Jan. 31-11 a.m.-1:00 p.m., CIA/Lutheran Barbecue, School Cafeteria Noon-5:00 p.m., Arts & Crafts Festival,

San Angelo Coliseum

Feb. 1-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

9 a.m.- 4p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority 6:30 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 7 p.m., Band Boosters, Band Hall

7 p.m., Select Choir Performance, High School Auditorium 7:30 p.m., Ballinger Masonic Lodge

Feb. 2-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal Noon, Lions Club, Community Center

4 p.m., Friends of Museum 5 p.m., Museum Directors

6-8:00 p.m., Little League Sign-up, School Cafeteria 7 p.m., American Legion 7 p.m., WVFD

Feb. 3-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal 9 a.m., Select Choir Performance, High School Auditorium 6 p.m., Chamber Directors

Feb. 4-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal 10 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3:30 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1999



Basics" column for 1999. This original lease agreement between year, we are going to explore the Company A and the mineral finer points of the business side of owner. It can also include some the industry. We are going to talk compensation to the company about contracts, negotiating farming-out the lease (Company points, interests, agreements, fi- A in our example). nancial considerations, royalties,

this time will be "farm-ins" and the lease, now and in the future, "farm-outs."

start.

which an entity (individual, company, etc.) takes a lease on a property from another party other than ing the lease. the mineral owner.

A farm-out is the process by which an entity other than the of the income. mineral owner gives a lease on a property. It is the other side of the farm-in. For every farm-in, there must be a farm-out.

For example, suppose Oil Company A has leased 640 acres from Farmer Brown. For one reason or another, Oil Company B wants that lease. If Oil Company A has reason to farm-out the lease (either they don't think it is a good prospect or they are short of money or whatever the reason), then Company B farms-in the lease after negotiating the terms with Company A.

In this example, Company A farms-out the lease and Company B farms-in the lease.

In any farm-in or farm-out, the mineral owner (the 'farmer' in the above example) is not involved in the transaction. It is purely a business arrangement by which the two oil companies are trading money for assets (the lease). The mineral owner (except in very rare cases) has given the rights of the lease (for a price) to the Company A, and Company A has the right to do whatever good business all that uncommon. Usually the sense dictates, assuming it does farming-in company will try to not violate the original lease agree- avoid agreeing to such provisions ment between mineral owner (farmer) and the Company A.

Compensation for farm-ins and farm-outs varies widely, but there are some standard remunerations.

Usually there will be some cash up-front. This is, in effect, to compensate the original Company A for any bonus money it might have paid the mineral owner. In reality, the market value of the lease will determine the cash requirement, and it very likely will have no connection to the original bonus paid.

There is the matter of 'burden' that must be agreed upon. The burden is the amount of any product sales proceeds (oil, gas, etc.) that will not go to the operating company and/or its partners. This burden includes the royalty prom-

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It is time for our first "Oil Patch ised to the mineral owner in the

This compensation is usually termed an 'override.' An override Our "Oil Patch Basics" topic is a percentage of the income from that will be paid to the original Definitions are a good place to leasing company (Company A). The override is exactly like a roy-A farm-in is the process by alty in that is only an income interest and it carries no responsibility for the expenses of operat-

A working interest does include operating costs as well as a share

A 'back-in' working interest is sometimes promised to the original leasing company as compensation for the farm-out, in addition to the cash payment and the override or as a substitute for one or the other (it is all negotiable). A back-in working interest is an interest that the original leasing company will get at some point in the future if there is profitable production from the lease.

The amount of the back-in can vary from 5 to 25 percent (more or less in rare cases). It is usually triggered by the payout (all expenses of developing the lease have been recouped by production income). The back-in can occur when there is 100 percent payout or when there is 300 percent payout. Again, it is all negotiable.

The advantages to a back-in for the company farming-out the lease is that it can share in some of the upside of the lease. The farming-in company is still protected by the payout provisions, so this type of arrangement is not because it obviously leaves more

The farming-in or -out of leases is a healthy outgrowth of profitdriven oil patch development. It allows for leases that might become stagnant otherwise due to the original leaseholder being disinterested to be developed by someone else with the interest and the money to do it now. This is good for all concerned-mineral owners and oil companies.

That's it for now. Next time, we will discuss the by-word of the promoter: carried interests.

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Toby, Tammie, Caleb, Corey

Virden and Family

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the complimentary banquet pro-

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rectors Steve Esquivel, Pat Smith,

& Bill Spiller; and all the won-

derful people who worked so hard

The 1999 Directors of the

Winters Area Chamber of

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testing continues

County Judge Marilyn Egan

has announced that the Census

Bureau will continue to conduct

testing for the employment of

Conference Room on the third

floor of the Runnels County

Courthouse each Tuesday at 2:00

p.m. during the month of Febru-

For additional information,

The testing will be held in the

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to make the evening a success.

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held Friday, April 9, in Brady to

benefit the Senior Citizens Cen-

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GENEVA EMMERT celebrated her 99th birthday recently at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home. A former principal and teacher, Mrs. Emmert said, "I do all the things I ever did and then some!" Other residents celebrating birthdays in January were Vera Martin, 103, and Geneva McNeil, 84. Wingate **Baptist Church members** served refreshments for the occasion.

Card of Thanks

We extend our sincere appreciation for all the cards, food, flowers, memorials, and love given in memory of Frances Campbell.

We are especially grateful to the staff and care givers at the Winters Senior Citizen Nursing Home for the loving care she received during her stay there.

Her many friends were a true joy to her and she looked forward to the cards and visits from all of

God be with you, Kathaleene Young, Bill and Kay Colburn, grandchildren, and

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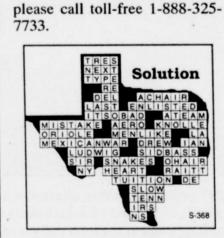
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Obituaries

Macky Wayne Towe

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON—Macky Wayne Towe, 58, formerly of Winters, died Saturday, January 23,1999, at 10:30 a.m. at Decanus Hospital in Spokane, Washington. ter Expansion/Improvement

He was born February 16, 1940, to Goldie Towe and Jack Thompson in Commanche.

He was preceded in death by his mother; grandmother; and oldest daughter, Brenda Towe.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, David Wayne and Debbie Towe of Monahans; and three daughters and sons-in-law, Tina and Garland Herridge of Monahans, Kim and Ronnie Ripley of Big Lake, and Cynthia Marie and Richard Sanchez of Winters. Other survivors include a brother, Jack Towe of Bristol, South Dakota; a nephew; and one aunt.

Services were held in Spokane, Washington.

He was a beloved father and grandfather. May God bless him. He will be missed.

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LOCKNEY-Katya Bryan, infant daughter of Grady Glen Bryan and Elena N. Matzak Bryan, died Tuesday, January 19, 1999, at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

Survivors include her parents; paternal grandparents, Sealy and Nancy Bryan of Winters; and maternal grandparents, Nickoli and Galina Matzak of Sumy, Ukaraine.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, January 21, at Wilmeth Cemetery. Reverend Max Pratt of the Ninth Street Church of Christ in Ballinger officiated. Burial was under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home in Lockney.

Stephen Dean Carlile

MILES AND SWEENY-Stephen Dean Carlile, 17, died Sunday, January 24, 1999, at Miles.

He was born August 18, 1981 in Sweeny. He was a senior at Miles High School.

Mr. Carlile was a member of Future Homemakers of America and Future Farmers of America.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Holly Orchard.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Dee and Dennis Matthiesen of Miles; his father and stepmother, Bobby and Vicki Carlile of Sweeny; two brothers, Ricky Orchard of Sweeny and Ryan King of San Angelo; two sisters, Monica Matthiesen of New Braunfels and Sabrina Orchard, and her husband Kelly, of Sweeny; grandparents, J.N. Greene and George and Alice Ulrich, all of Houston, and Dorine Matthiesen of Sugarland; five nieces; two nephews; and numerous aunts and uncles.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 26, at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Miles with Father Stephen Kennelly officiating. Burial was held at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 27, in Sweeny Community Cemetery in Sweeny, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

James Curtis (J.C.) White

COLEMAN-James Curtis (J.C.) White, 71, died Wednesday, January 13, 1999, at Coleman County Medical Center.

He was born May 2, 1927, in Burkett to Clarence Deweylee and Mary Pearl Jones White. He grew up in Burkett and attended school there. He married Helen Marie Dean in Brownwood in 1948. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Mr. White was employed for 45 years as a superintendent and truck driver for Martin Brick Company. He was a member of Bible Baptist Church and the Sheriff's Association.

He was preceded in death by his wife on March 3, 1981, and his parents.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Rita and Dean Preas, and Ritha Mae and Donald Keeney, all of Coleman; three sons and daughters-in-law, James Beach and Jenness White of Temple, Rickey Lynn and Teri White of Coahoma, and Larry White of Colorado City; five brothers, Junior White, Roger White, and Carl White all of Coleman, Jerry D. White of Houma, Louisiana, and Otha White of Layfette, Louisiana; eleven grandchildren; and six great-grandchil-

Visitation was from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Friday, January 15, at Stevens Funeral Home in Coleman. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 16, at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Don Northway officiating. Burial followed at Eastlawn Cemetery under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

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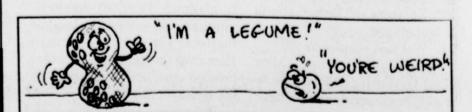


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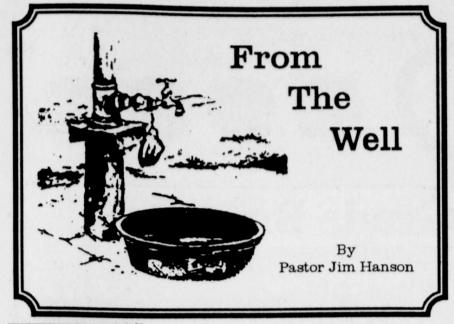
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"God-willing."

It was his expression. My dad's, that is. He used it whenever he was talking about the future, mostly his future. And, sometimes, ours.

I remember so well those times when my future was involved with

his. Like when there was a hometown football game, or basketball game that I wanted to go to. Until I was old enough to play myself, I seldom went alone. Or with "the other kids"...friends my age. I went with Dad. Sometimes Mother too. Watching "games," football, basketball, baseball was what we did. Never did go to a "moving -picture" show with either of them. I don't recall that they ever went to one. "Games" were our entertainment!

But, about the middle of the week I would start, what Dad called, my "campaign." "Dad, can we go to the game Friday night?" His reply was, "God-willing." Even in the little things-like a hometown athletic contest on Friday night.

I can remember he did it with the bigger things—like where I would spend my summer vacation time. When we lived in St. Paul, Minnesota, from 1934 to 1939, they were "Depression" years. Soup-lines in the city. A whole sidewalk full of men, a block long. Lined up with cups or bowls. Waiting to get their cups filled with soup, donated by the city or some church group. For those in line it was the major meal for the day. Not a pretty sight. Depressing.

As pastor of one of the churches in that neighborhood, Dad never left his station. He stayed there and did his job which was ministering to the people there. But, he didn't think it was good for his sons to be there all the time. So, each summer he would arrange for us to go "down to Aunt Suzie's farm," a dairy farm in Wisconsin. With horses and cows and pigs and chickens, and fresh eggs and butter and cream and clean air and green grass. It was heaven for me. I would start counting the days about January 1, and about March 1 would ask, "Dad, are we going to get to go to the farm this summer?" And he would reply, "God-willing."

It was more than expression with him. It used to "bug" me, because in my little boy head I just couldn't see why it had to depend on God... whether we went to a ball game, or whether we went to the farm. That was "our business." God's business was to "save people" for eternal life. That I truly believed. But that He should be the One who would be the determining factor in whether we went to a ball game, that was entirely too much for me. It frustrated me, all this "God-willing" talk.

Even when I was in my last year at the seminary. The big question was whether I would go on to Graduate School and get my Doctor of Theology Degree—which would mean I would spend the rest of my life teaching in a college or seminary (if I was good enough.) Or if I would become a candidate for ordination and then a call to a parish when I would begin a lifetime of service to God pastoring parishes. I talked to Dad about it. We prayed together about it. As I left for seminary that fall, it was with "God-willing, you'll do the right thing." By that time and in that situation, I was beginning to see the light.

I'm sure this expression was a "creed" to him, something he truly believed and practiced, was based on a passage from James 4:13-16. "Come now, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and get gain,' whereas you do not know about tomorrow. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, 'If the Lord wills, we shall live and we shall do this or that.' As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boosting is arrogance."

Dad was not arrogant. The last words he ever said in public were just an hour before he died. He had just completed the first of two speeches before an audience of 500 lay people and pastors in Columbus, Ohio. After he had finished the speech, he told the assembly, "God willing, and I am alive, we'll conclude tomorrow." He and Mother left the room, went to their motel room, and a few moments after laying down on a couch, "fell asleep in Jesus."

What a way to live! What a way to go! "God-willing." As we approach the year 2000, with all our plans and objectives and goals, I think there is a lesson here. Thanks, Dad. And "Thank You, Jesus."







HITCH IN THE ROAD CAUSES A TRAFFIC HOLDUP! A broken hitch on this 1999 Sierra travel trailer caused some traffic congestion on Main and Dale streets last Friday, Jan. 22. As only two lanes on Main were accessible, vehicles were directed by Officer Terry Johnson. Owners Mr. and Mrs. Ray Corcorran of Choctaw, Oklahoma, were passing through Winters looking for a recreational park when the accident occurred. The travel trailer was towed to the local wrecking yard until repairs were made.

CONNERS, continued

Runnels County Farm Bureau, Board. Runnels County Farmers Union, Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, Winters Livestock Association, and Winters Centennial Celebration.

He is also involved with the Winters Area Business and Industrial Development Corporation, Z.I. Hale Museum/Rock Hotel Restoration Project, City of Winters Zoning Board, Runnels County Central Appraisal District, Agricultural Advisory Board, Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association, Texas Seed Trade Association, Texas Chapter American Society of Agronomy, and Texas Department of Agriculture District 13 Ag

Randall was honored as Citizen of the Year in 1988 by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, Man of the Year in Texas Agriculture in 1986, Epsilon Sigma Phi State Friend of Extension Award in 1995, and Agri-Business Award in 1986 at the Runnels County Ag Day.

He received the Outstanding Business and Professional Award in 1987 by the Runnels County Soil and Water Conservation District, Agri-Business Award in 1980 by the Area IV Young Farmers of Texas, and Texas Forage and Grasslands Council 1998 Industry Award.

Master of ceremonies was

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Security."

Dawson McGuffin, mayor of Bourdo, Jim Butler, Mike Harris, Winters. The Pledge of Allegiance Butch Kendrick, Cheryl Kruse, was led by Shelly Meyer, Miss Sno-Queen 1999, and the invoca- Skibicki. tion was given by Don Roath, minister of the First United Methodist Church.

Incoming Chamber president Brenda Burton introduced the entertainment which was provided by the Cooper Fiddlers from Cooper High School in Abilene.

clude Dalette Adams, Jane Cason of JC's Catering.

Sammy Sanchez and Anna

Continuing directors are Brenda Burton, Saam Geistmann, Sandy Mesey, and Gail Williams.

Retiring directors are Steve Esquivel, Kay Sharpes, Bill Spiller and Pat Smith.

Members of the Winters High School student council served the New directors introduced in- meal which was catered by Janet

Area resident competes in Ms. Texas Senior/Midwest pageant

represented the area this month in son in Abilene while taking line the third annual Ms. Texas Senior/ dancing lessons at the Rose Park

Midwest Pageant. The pageant was held at the Abilene

Civic Center, Jan. 16. Ms. Sims was sponsored by the Winters Senior Citizens Activity Center. Judging was based on evening gown presentation, an interview, and talent

competition. Her talent included reciting and drama-

tizing an original poem. "It was so much fun. I met so many nice people. I enjoyed it," she said. Ms. Sims was ap-

Winters resident Darlene Sims proached about entering by a per-Activity Center.

> In the community, Ms. Sims does volunteer work at Our House, Meals on Wheels, and the nursing home. She is a member of First Baptist Church, Eastern Star, the church choir, and the Literary and Service

She is a mother of three and grandmother of five. Her hobbies include painting, playing the piano, song writing, and poetry.

President sets guidelines for changing Social Security

by Fredi Franki, Social Security Representative

In the first of a series of forums America's hard-won fiscal discidesigned to generate public discussion of the future of Social rity for our children, our grand-Security, President Clinton stated children, and future generations, several principles that will guide we must not jeopardize the hardhis administration's efforts to assure a sound future for Social Security. They are worth reviewing as a bipartisan congressional committee prepares to take up the issues early in 1999.

Any reform should strengthen and protect Social Security for the 21st century. We cannot abandon the basic core program that has been one of the greatest successes in our nation's history. More than 44 million people receive Social Security retirement, survivors, or disability benefit payments each month-and more than 144 million workers are covered by Social Security.

Second, we must maintain the universality and fairness of Social Security. For half a century, this program has been a guarantee for every citizen. We must keep it that

Third, Social Security must provide a benefit people can count on. Regardless of the ups and downs of the economy and the financial markets, we must make certain that Social Security will provide a foundation of retirement security.

Fourth, Social Security must continue to provide financial security for disabled and low-income beneficiaries. We can never forget that 1-out-of-3 Social Security beneficiaries are not retir-

Fifth, any strengthening of Social Security must maintain

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crafted items.

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Little League registration set for Tuesday, Feb. 2, in school cafeteria

The Winters Area Little arrangements for payment, con-League Association met last tact one of the presidents. weekend and has announced registration dates for the 1999 spring

Sign-ups will be held Tuesday, February 2, in the Winters school cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

child and is due at the time of sign-ups. If this is your child's first time to play, or they haven't erby is treasurer. played in a few years, a copy of the birth certificate and social security number is also required.

If you need to make special

New officers were also elected during the meeting. Jim Wilkerson, 754-5649, was named boys president. Girls president is Wayne Green, 754-4430.

Boys vice-president is Brent Registration fee is \$30 per Bryan and girls vice-president is Michael Davis. Dawn Green will serve as secretary. Vicki Black-

Anyone interested in coaching a team should contact one of the presidents.



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CAFETERIA MENU Feb. 1-Feb. 5

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Breakfast Monday-Feb. 1 **Biscuits** Sausage Juice Tuesday-Feb. 2

Toast Cereal Juice Wednesday-Feb. 3

Blueberry Muffin Cereal Juice Thursday-Feb. 4

Cereal Juice Friday-Feb. 5 Cheese Toast Cereal

Pancakes/Syrup

Lunch Monday-Feb. 1

Juice

Pizza Corn **Tossed Salad** Chocolate Pudding Tuesday-Feb. 2 Chicken Nuggets/Gravy

Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruit Jello Hot Roll

Wednesday-Feb. 3 Taco/Meat/Cheese **Tossed Salad** Red Beans Brownie Thursday-Feb. 4 Turkey Roast/Gravy Mashed Potatoes June Peas Hot Roll

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Arthur Martine	z*	7	0	2	0
Ben Blaine		4	0	2	0
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might think I would be mad and upset with the boys, but on the contrary. The kids played hard. It's tough to win on a carpet floor with 9' baskets, but our kids adjusted well. The Coleman team was just a good, solid team with very few weaknesses. Plus it helped to have a kid who scored 20 points. Anyway, I think the kids are getting better and I promise we will do better starting the second half of the season. Thanks.

Team: JV Boys			Coach: B	iff Whi	ite	
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Place: Mason						
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OPPONENT	11	13	4	12		40
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Justin Calcote			2		2	0
Jeremy Hope			4		2	3
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1998-1999 8th Grade Breezes



Back, left to right: Coach Chad Russell

Dustin Palmertree #23 **Brian Pritchard**

#25 **Rusty Jackson Shane Colburn** #22

Alvaro Rodriguez

Not pictured: #00 Alex Blackerby, #40 Clint Marentes, and Jared Airhart, Manager

Front:

#15 **Mathew Moreno**

#10 Mark Moreno

Brandon Davis Guy Slimp

Johnny Stout Timothy Medina

Basketball Hoopla



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ason						Place: Blackwel	IJV	Tourna	ment - 2nd C	ame	
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(11)	Team: Junior Varsity		Coach: Det	
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The state of the s	POINTS	SCORE	DEACH OU	ARTER
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	Free throws made:	9 of 13	for 69%	
***	Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals
ls Coach: Deb Whittenburg	Staci Bishop	sick		
ckwell Date: Jan. 15, 1999	Tracey Burns	5	9	1
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1 2 3 4 DT FIN.	Brittney Tekell	2	2	1
	Michelle Walden	5	8	1
4 9 3 4 20	Mandy Pritchard	2	2	()
8 8 11 11 38	Tassi Hopson	()	1	()
rade: 5 of 11 for 46%	Cassondra Johnson	0	3	3
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cam: JV Boys			Coach: B			
pponent: Ham	ilton		Date: Jan.	15, 19	44	
lace: Hamilton						
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Zeke Martinez	1	8		()
Wade Parramore	7	6	2	2
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Place: Mason						_		
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ree throws made:	10 of 2	1 for 47%			
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Opponent: Earl	V		Date: Jan.	12, 1999	
Place: Winters					
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	1	2	3	4	FIN.
WINTERS	4	5	6	11	26
OPPONENT	2	8	10	13	3.3
Free throws m Players Name	ade:		or 69% Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Staci Bishop		sick	T		
Tracey Burns		5	9	1	2
Jackye Dexter		2	2	0	1
S. Montgomery		11	4	3	2
Brittney Tekell		2	2	1	- 1
Michelle Walde	en	5	8	1	1
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Mandy Pritchar		0		()	0
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WINTERS	4	9	3	4	20
OPPONENT	8	8	9	7	38
Free throws m Players Name	-	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assist
Cassandra John		2		-	()
Meagan Galvan		()	()	()	()
Monica Hicks		()		2	
Kaylene Lincyc	dmo	4	2	1	1
Scarlet McMin		5	3	1	1
Juanita Armeno	lariz*	9	6	8	0
Michelle Burto	n	()	1	()	0
Isha Lara		()	()	1	()

Opponent: Ham	ilton		Date: Jan.	18, 199	19	
Place: Hamilton						
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WINTERS	2	4	3	2		12
OPPONENT	10	7	11	10		.38
Free throws ma	ade:					
Players Name		Points	Rebounds	Steal	s_/	Assists
Laci Walker		3	()	()		()
Stacy Sneed		2	()	()		()
Jena Bahlman		2	()	()	_	()

Feam: Varsity Girls			Coach: Ken Fowler					
Opponent: Hamilton			Date: Jan.	15, 19	999			
Place: Hamilton	1							
POL	NTS	SCOR	ED EACH O	UART	ER			
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN		
WINTERS	11	9	10	22		52		
OPPONENT	10	10	22	20		62		
Free throws ma	ade:	8 of 13	for 62%					
Players Name		Points	Rebounds	Stea	Is A	ssists		
Amanda Cross		4	()	4		2		
Lori Bredemeye	21	0	1	()		()		
Jamie Bishop	117	4	0	1	1	1:		
Kelli Slimp		5	4	2		4		
Kacy McCuistic	on	()	5	1		1		
Kayla Colburn		()	()	()	4	()		

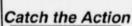
Team: Varsity Opponent: Col	Date: Jan. 22, 1999							
Place: Winters								
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WINTERS	2	10		7			24	
OPPONENT	10	10 10		12			41	
Free throws m	ade: .	3 of 8 f	or 386	%				
Players Name	P	oints	Reb	ound	Steal	S A	ssists	
Amanda Cross		0		()	0	_	3	
Lori Bredemeye	er	0		()	1		()	
Jamie Bishop		()		2	- 0		2	
Kelli Slimp		4		2	2		2	
Kacy McCuistic	on	3		3	2		()	
Kayla Colburn		()		()	()		()	
Jana Presley		4		3	4		()	
Kendra Hope*		11		2	7		()	
Jessica DelaRo	sa	()		1	1		()	
Michelle Pasch	al	2		7	2		2	

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Brianna Parram	orc	0	0	()		0
Macy Hopson		()	()	()		0
Amanda Poe		()	()	()		()
Amanda Reyes		0	0	()		()
Suzanne Jones		0	()	0		0
Stacy DelaCruz		()	()	0		()
Jenniser Hagle		()	0	- 0		()
Meagan Schwar	tz*	4	- 0			0
Kayla Calcote		0	0	0		()
Danielle Clark		0	0	- 0		0
Jessica Rodrigu		0	()	- 0		0
Minnie Jo Kraa		()	()	0		()
Jessica Pritchar		0	0	()		0
Cecelia Ovalles		0	0	()		()
Brittney Burles		()	0	- 0		()
Hope Ontiveros		. 0	()	0		()

Feam: 7th "A" & "B" Girls Coach: Shelly Haye

Basketball '99





Jan. 29-Bangs*, 5 p.m., There, JVG, JVB, VG,VB Feb. 2—San Saba, 5 p.m.,

Here, JVG, JVB, VG, VB Feb. 4—Early, 5 p.m., There,

7G, 8G, JVG2 Feb. 4—Early, 5 p.m., Here, 7B, 8B, JVB2 VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys JVG Junior Varsity Girls

JVG2 Junior Varsity Girls Second Team JVB Junior Varsity Boys JVB2 Junior Varsity Boys Second Team 8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls 7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls *Denotes District Games

Place: Hamilton	_					
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Minnie Jo Kraatz		()	())	0
Jessica Pritchar		()	())	()
Cecelia Ovalles		()	())	0
	Brittney Burleson		()		0	()
	Hope Ontiveros*			_		0

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OPPONENT	13	10	6	9		1	
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Brianna Parramore			0	.0		- ()	
Macy Hopson		()	()	()		(
Amanda Poe		()	0	0		- (
Suzanne Jones*		2	()	0		(
Stacy DelaCruz		()	0	()		0	
Jennifer Hagle		()	0	0		()	
Meagan Schwartz		0	0	0		(

POL	NTS	SCORE	DEACHO	UARTE	R	
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OPPONENT	4	9	2	6		21
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Players Name Heather Martin		Points 2	Rebound ()	s Stea	T	()
Grace Martinez	_	2	0	- 0	-	0
		7	()	0	_	()
Kelly Bearden*	_					
Kelly Bearden* Lauren Hogan Stacey Walden		2	()	()		()

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Coach's Comments: Great game. The boys are coming together and making a fine team. With 3 games left, we are

ing to be a tough team to beat. Go Blue

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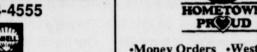
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WHS STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS cheerfully waited tables at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet last Saturday evening at the Community Center. Adding to the fun evening were (front row, left to right) Jamie Bishop, Tammy Thorpe, Kourtney Cathey, Misty Pritchard, Tarra Burns, and Brooke Tounget. Back row: sponsor Rhea Parramore, Kelli Slimp, Oscar Luz, Michael Prewit, John Bahlman, Chip White, Alison Wells and Barrett Brown.

This Is It— Glacier staff announces yearbook sales

on sale! This year's Glacier theme congratulations for their graduat-This Is It, revolves around the ing senior. Prices are as follows: year 1999 being the end of the millennium.

Yearbooks are \$25 without a name and \$28 with a name stamped on the front. Yearbook sales will end February 12.

If you would like to purchase N. Heights in care of Sharon a yearbook please contact Sharon Rice, sponsor. Rice at the Winters High School You may also call the editors, Tammy Thorpe at 754-5764 or Brooke Tounget at 754-4455.

Senior ads are also now on sale. These ads are a tradition at Winters High School and allow

Follis on Dean's List at ASU

Kaci Cook Follis, granddaughter of K. W. and Geneva Cook of Winters has been listed on the Dean's List of Angelo State University with a 3.78 gpa for the fall semester of 1998.

Kaci is a freshman majoring in elementary education at ASU.

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Adams, Conner on Dean's List at McMurry

Jennifer Boles Adams and Dennis K. Conner were on the fall 1998 Dean's List at McMurry University in Abilene.

ing in Multidisciplinary Studies. Mr. Conner, a freshman, has chosen Physics as his interest.

To qualify for the Dean's List, from around the state. a student must have a least a 3.5 GPA and take 12 or more credit

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Just a note about the Choir

by Fran Kidwell, Winters **Elementary Select Choir director**

The Winters Elementary Select Choir will be very busy for the next week!

On Friday, Jan. 29, the choir will perform at Coleman Elementary at 1:30 p.m.

On Monday evening, Feb. 1, they will perform their San Antonio show for the community at 7:00 p.m. in the Winters High School auditorium. (Choir members will meet in the high school library at 6:45 p.m.)

On Wednesday morning, they will perform for the elementary school at 9:00 a.m., and on Friday, Feb. 5, they will leave for San Antonio at 6:15 a.m.!

(Students should come dressed in jeans and choir shirts and ready Mrs. Adams is a senior major- to perform for ALL performances, including the trip to San Antonio!)

In San Antoinio, the choir will be performing for music teachers

After their performance, they will visit the Alamo and take a river boat ride. It will be a wonderful performance and a wonderful day!

Don't miss the performance this Monday evening at 7:00 in the high school auditorium!

Kelvin Connolly Blizzards place Deane Johnson third in Mason Thomas Mata Rosanna Moreno powerlifting meet

The Winters Blizzards Powerlifting team placed third at the Mason meet on Saturday, Jan.23.

This was the first meet of the season and each lifter placed for the total team points. Lifters and their results are:

> 3rd, Arthur Martinez, 132 lbs. 5th, Tony Aguero, 132 lbs. 1st, Craig Conner, 220 lbs. 3rd, Chris Lujano, 220 lbs. 5th, Samson Jackson, 220 lbs. 2nd, Eric Tekell, 240 lbs.

Conner took third overall honors in the 165 lb. and over division.

Competition included 4A high school Dripping Springs, who captured first in the meet. Some other schools competing included, Ballinger, Comfort, Bangs, and Leakey.

Students of the Month

Each month the junior high teachers select students from the 7th and 8th grades to be Boy and Girl of the Month. These selections are made on the basis of academics, leadership, and citizenship.

Brandon Ripple, 14, is "Boy of the Month" for January 1999. His parents are Allen and Susan Ripple.

Brandon is in the eighth grade where his favorite subject is science. He is honored to be an "A"

He enjoys hunting and fishing. To pass the time, Brandon listens to music.

His duties include feeding his iguanas and dogs, keeping his room clean, and helping with the yardwork.

Brandon most admires his par-

He plans to attend college, study law enforcement, and become a game warden.

Stefanie Davis has been chosen as the "Girl of the Month" for January 1999. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Davis.

Stefanie, 14, is in the eighth grade and enjoys Algebra. She is proud to be on the "A" Honor

Stefanie enjoys reading. Her favorite pastime is playing basketball and listening to music. Her duties include washing the dishes, doing housework, and

keeping her room clean. She plans on attending college but is undecided on her major. Stefanie most admires her par-



Brandon Ripple

January Boy of the

Month

Stefanie Davis January Girl of the Month

High school students compete in Bangs UIL Academic Meet

Winters High School students competed in the Bangs UIL Academic Meet, Saturday, Jan. 23.

Nineteen schools from the area participated in the event. Several local students placed in the top six positions. They are as follows:

Feature Writing 1st, Shelley Meyer 5th, Tammy Thorpe **Editorial Writing** 1st, Tammy Thorpe 5th, Kayla Colburn **News Writing** 3rd, Kelli Slimp 5th, Brooke Tounget 6th, Tammy Thorpe

Spelling Alison Wells **Current Events** 4th high individual

Tracie Morrison 2nd team, Tracie Morrison, Kayla Colburn, Chip White, Colby Walker

Headline Writing 3rd, Barrett Brown

4th, Chip White 5th, Kenny Whittenburg

Other students attending the meet include; Jamie Bishop, Tarra Burns, Lori Bredemeyer, Ezequiel Martinez, John Bahlman, Maria Chavez, Misty Pritchard, Avel Hicks, Michelle Paschal, and Aaron Pritchard.

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Abilene IRS to host "Problem **Solving Day** "

The Internal Revenue Service is offering free help to anyone with a tax problem that they have not been able to get resolved through normal IRS channels.

On Thursday, Feb. 4, 1999, the IRS office in Abilene will host a "Problem Solving Day" from 2 p.m. - 7 p.m. at 341 Pine St., Room 2114.

Taxpayer advocates will be available to listen and help people iron out unresolved federal tax problems.

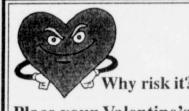
Since the IRS North Texas District started holding "Problem Solving Days" in October 1997, a total of 1,319 people have received special one-on-one help through the program.

Chronic tax problems dealt with at the events ranged from working through the collection process, asking for audit reconsideration, to setting up monthly payment plans.

"We realize that some people are frustrated with the system and feel that they're getting nowhere when they contact us. That's why we're going to conduct a series of face-to-face meetings with North Texas taxpayers," said North Texas Taxpayer Advocate Mark Zuverink. "What we want to do is to have all of the decision makers in one place to cut through the red tape and help people solve their tax problems, once and for

All help from the IRS is free. While Zuverink encourages people to schedule an appointment, walk-ins on Thursday, Feb 4, will receive service on a firstcome, first-serve basis.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 915-676-5709.



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Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ray Hall

Powers, Hall wed in Jamaica

Amber Michelle Powers and Jimmy Ray Hall exchanged wedding vows Wednesday, January 6, 1999, at the Breezes Resort in Runaway Bay, Jamaica.

The bride is the daughter of Rita Watkins Debusk of San Angelo and Jerry Powers of Clyde, and the granddaughter of Mary and the late L.B. Watkins of Wingate. The bridegroom is the son of James Hall of Houston.

The couple enjoyed a private ceremony, followed by a carriage

A reception for the couple was held at the Watkins Ranch on Sunday, January 10. Hostesses were her grandmother and mother as well as an aunt, Lana Watkins, and cousin Deanna Watkins.

Serving in the house party were sisters of the bride, Cheryl Yarbrough and Angie Parker; lowing their wedding trip to Jacousin of the bride, Lori Mann; maica.

and aunt, Marilyn Egan.

Guests were served a bride's cake, mints, nuts, and lime punch. Mrs. Watkins made the groom's cake. The German chocolate cake was served on a crystal cake stand belonging to Mary's mother. It had been a wedding gift in 1913.

The bride graduated from San Angelo Central High School in 1995 and attends the University of North Texas. She is scheduled to graduate in August. She is employed at Lombardi Moré in Dal-

The groom graduated in 1990 from West Columbia High School in Houston. He is currently attending the University of North Texas. He is also employed in

The couple lives in Dallas fol-

Veterans of Foreign Wars celebrate 100th Anniversary

by Mary Kurtz, Winters V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary President

The freedoms we enjoy as Americans were won in a revolution, tested in a civil war and defended time after time in foreign wars against aggressors who threatened our shores and our way

The refrain "Land of the free and home of the brave," makes the point that freedom and bravery go hand-in-hand. But who stood fast when bravery was called for? Who held the line when courage was the determining factor between victory and defeat? And who paid with their lives for the freedoms we enjoy today? The men and women of our armed forces.

From those who faced the Brit-

ish musket ball to those who faced the threat of nuclear devastation, America has been fortunate in always having men and women who step forward in war and in peace to defend our country, its citizens and its institutions. Their bravery has allowed us to live in the land of the free.

But who speaks for them when they return from battle in wartime or the ramparts in peacetime? Who stands up and speaks for them in the halls of congress, the White House and the Department of Veterans Affairs? And who speaks for their widows and orphans? For 100 years it has been the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Founded in 1899 by veterans of the Spanish-American War, the Veterans of Foreign Wars is dedicated to serving the needs and interests of America's 26 million veterans. Through a variety of programs and projects the organization's 2 million members also serve their communities and our nation.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of Runnels County, Ballinger Post 8119, Rowena Post 9196, and Winters Post 9193, invite the citizens of Runnels County to join them in celebrating their 100th anniversary and hope you will participate in some of their activities in the coming year.



HANGING ON BY A THREAD (AND TWO POINTS) is the 8th grade team in their exciting battle against Hamilton. Winters held on for the win, and as of Jan. 26, has only two losses this season. Taking advice from Coach Chad Russell are Guy Slimp #13, Rusty Jackson, Shane Colburn #22, Brian Pritchard, and Dustin Palmertree #11.

Winters man still recovering in hospital following surgeries host Pancake for gunshot wound

Bobby Rogers remains in of new muscle. Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene as he recovers from an because of all the areas of surgery accidental gunshot wound to his

According to his sister Ouida Nichols, Rogers is in good spirits, but finds himself with a lot of time on his hands.

He underwent his fifth surgery on Wednesday, Jan. 20, and must remain lying on his stomach for at least two more weeks.

Rogers' first, second, and third surgeries entailed removing dead skin as a result of the gunshot.

The fourth surgery involved taking a muscle from his back near his shoulder blade and at-

taching it to the area of his wound. This last surgery was a skin graft. The skin was taken from his backside and placed over the area

He must stay on his stomach on the back of his body. His wound must be cleaned and dressed every four hours.

Rogers was injured on December 29,1998, when attempting to shoot a coyote from his pickup. When he pulled his gun from beside him, the gun discharged.

The bullet struck his left leg behind the knee. He administered his own first-aid to stop the bleeding and crawled to the highway where passing motorists were able to retrieve emergency help.

Mrs. Nichols adds that doctors are optimistic he will have use of his leg again.

Rogers is in room 5702 in Hendricks if you would like to visit or contact him.

Lions Club to Supper Feb. 9

The Winters Noon Lions Club invites everyone to attend their Annual Pancake Supper.

The supper will be held in the school cafeteria Tuesday, Feb. 9 in conjunction with the Blizzard basketball game. Serving time is from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Terry Wyatt, club secretary/ treasurer, speculates that the game with Hamilton is sure to have play-off implications. He says the pancakes are going to be wonderful! Come and enjoy both.

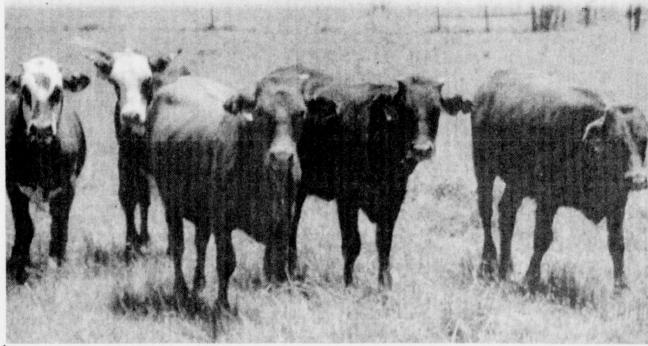
The menu will include all the pancakes you can eat, bacon, milk, and orange juice. Tickets will be available at the door or you can purchase tickets from any member of the Lions Club. Tickets are \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 5 and under.

The organization sponsors many projects. The primary project of the Winters Lions Club has been offering aid with sight. The club has provided many local children with eyeglasses.

The club also supports a summer camp for handicapped students. In addition, for the last several years, the Lions Club has financially helped the American Legion send students to Boys and

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Hotline established to help Texas youth with problems

1998, the Texas Department of Protective & Regulatory Services (TDPRS) initiated the new Texas Youth Hotline, according to Hotline Director Jay Smith.

"The Texas Youth Hotline and the agency's Texas Runaway Hotline are answered 24 hours a day and provide prevention services to callers who are in need of a caring voice and a listening ear," Smith said. "Hotline counselors will talk with callers who face a variety of issues including family conflicts, delinquency, truancy, and abuse and neglect."

Smith said statewide television and radio ads, billboards, movie theater ads, and 50,000 pieces of public awareness materials for schools, social service agencies, law enforcement and youth-related organizations are aimed at bringing the troubled youth problem to wider public attention and to make youth and parents more aware of the services available. The toll-free number is 1-800-210-2278

The Senate Interim Committee on Gangs and Juvenile Justice recommended increased outreach to improve accessibility to intervention and prevention services.

On Tuesday, December 15, Members of the committee include: Senator Royce West, committee chairman (Dallas); Senator Robert Duncan (Lubbock); Senator Chris Harrison (Arlington); Senator Jon Lindsay (Houston); and Senator Mike Moncrief (Fort Worth).

Girls State. same time.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Sweethearts send cards from Valentine

The post office in the tiny West Texas town of Valentine does a booming business in February, adding a unique postmark to an average of 20,000 Valentine cards sent all over the world. Here's how your sweetheart can receive a Valentine from Valentine



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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

There isn't much to talk about at most parties until one or two couples have left.

Sunday morning visitors at Hopewell Church were Margie and Erhard Fisher of Kerrville.

Ladies attending the mission Bible study on Monday morning in the fellowship hall were Ramona Akins, Helen Alexander. Fairy Alcorn, Nila Osborne, Vivian Talbott, Selma Wilkerson, Melvena Gerhart, Juanita Shields, and Doris Wood.

Juanita Shields served as hostess to Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins, Nila and Therin Osborne, Helen Alexander, Selma Wilkerson, Fairy and Wilbert Alcorn, and Margie and Erhard Fisher.

Hildegarde and Calvin Schovajsa of San Angelo spent Saturday with me. Calvin cleaned out my hot water heater.

Betty and Joe Pierce had visitors during the week. They were Joe's sister, Virginia Smith of Wharton; nephew, Burl and Jean Smith of Houston and their daughter, Debbie Tierce and husband John; daughter, Jenny Pierce and husband Doyle and son Zachary of San Antonio; granddaughter, Delki Lynn Masters of Midland;

to file charges.

and great-grandson, T. Master, also of Midland.

Alvina Armbrecht spent Sunday morning with Josie Hoppe. They enjoyed visiting with James and Sue Spill in Winters, and Mr. and Mrs. D.J. Goetz of Ballinger. Josie's families came Sunday and all enjoyed dinner together.

Pat and Earl Cooper's visitors during the week were Ray Cooper and son J.T. of San Angelo, Brenda Chambliss and daughter Doddie Drake and granddaughter Kalyn.

Bernie McCoy and Nila Osborne had a nice, long phone visit. Bernie is moving into a beau-

Brian Faubion of Hawaii also called Nila and Therin during the week. He told them to tell me "hello." Thanks a million Brian. I love you too.

Naomi Owens and Louise Osborne spent Saturday with Nila and Therin Osborne. Louise also came and brought Therin the daily

Georgia and Connie Gibbs spent Sunday in Bronte with her sister, Trecia Butner.

Helping Connie celebrate his 76th birthday on Wednesday were Jean, Connie Mac, Tana, and Lane Gibbs; and Tammy and Haley Kaczyk. Connie, we wish you lots more of these things called birthdays. Happy birthday.

Those attending the wedding of Katie Wilde and Brandon Green last Saturday a week ago were Margie Jacob, Sharon and Jerry

Engler of Brownwood, Brenda Jacob of Midland, Beverly VanZandt, Carol and Mike Kozelsky and Katie.

Margie Jacob wishes to thank one and all for the prayers, cards, flowers, calls, and food. Margie is home and is recuperating nicely after a few days in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo. Her visitors were Selma Wilkerson, Carolyn Webb, Doris Wood, Carol and Mike Kozelsky, Evelyn Jacob, Cookie VanZandt, and Sharon and Jerry Engler.

Doris Wood attended the funeral of longtime school friend, Mrs. Mac Maxcey of Brownwood. She was buried in Richland Springs Cemetery. Doris spent Friday in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant and attended a musical.

Coleman Foreman went to sit with Lawan at the Winters Senior Citizens Nursing Home on Sunday after church. Coleman has a new friend. A cute, little, stray dog now has a good home.

Linda Duggan and Susan Mansell were in Dallas on Wednesday and spent the day with an aunt, Frances Brown. On Thursday, Dale and Linda Duggan spent the day with daughter Katy and niece Amy Mansell. Dale and Linda enjoyed the Winters Chamber Banquet on Saturday.

Our prayers are with my grandson Randall in Dallas. He is having surgery today (Tuesday) as I

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WSL discusses allocating funds for community projects

held their first meeting of the new year on Thursday, Jan. 21 in the

discussion was given to allocating funds for new playground equipment at the park. In addition, they discussed appropriating funds for the Winters Public Li-

the February meeting pending a report on funds raised from the Fajita Supper on Jan. 22. The business meeting concluded with work assignments for the fundraiser.

Julie Frierson, Dawn Green and

year's budget for facility improvements.

During the business meeting

Hostesses for the evening were

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Financial Focus

Long-term care insurance

ber of families that face this situ-

ation every day. Fortunately, a

visit to their family's attorney re-

vealed that a life insurance policy,

taken out by their father for him-

self and Betty a few years before

he died, would pay all nursing-

home cost and some home-care

expenses for Betty as long as she

potential nursing home stay, but

few can afford not to. One recent

study showed that nearly one out

of every two people who reaches

age 65 will require long-term care

at some point in their lives. In

addition to the emotional toll such

a situation can wreak on a family,

What complicates matters fur-

Medicare or Medicaid will cover

the cost of long-term care. The

reality is that Medicare covers

less than 2 percent of such costs,

and Medicaid covers them only if

you have virtually exhausted your

affordable way to protect your

life savings from being depleted

by the potentially exorbitant costs

of a long-term illness. It covers

the cost of a nursing-home stay,

as well as home care and other

is the fact that long-term care in-

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Perhaps even more important

as you may need them.

Long-term care insurance is an

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No one likes to think about a

needed them.

By Jimmy Newsom

A lot of people have already ample of the ever-growing numheard or read about the "aging of America." Whether you've heard about it or not, the fact is that people are living longer today than ever before.

WISD MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE GORDON FENWICK works on renovations to the girl's

softball diamond at the city park. The old caliche on the infield was removed and replaced with

red sand and conditioner. According to Dale Montgomery, Director of Maintenance, the new infield

will have more cushioning and be safer for the players. In addition, the home dugout has been

enlarged and a six foot chain-link fence built around the entire field. Future plans include enlarging

the visitors dugout as well as both dugouts on the boy's diamond. Grounds work is part of last

In 1980, there were roughly 50 million Americans over the age of 55. Today, there are 60 million, and it's estimated that by 2020 about 90 million people will be over 55 years old.

As this age group grows, so will the number of people who require nursing home care. Placing a family member in a nursing home is a difficult, heart-rending ordeal, and it's an ordeal that not only affects the individual but the entire family.

Take, for example, the Hudson the costs of this type of care pose family. A year ago, they faced a a threat to nearly every family's Tammy Kaczyk. They served situation many families encoun- financial security. baked potatoes with all the trim- ter today. Their 78 year-old mother, Betty, had suffered a debilitat- ther is that many people believe ing stroke and required aroundthe-clock attention.

For weeks, Betty's two sons, Cheryl Kruse, Tami Richards, Mark and Dan, and her daughter, Cathy, discussed their mother's need for nursing-home care. Mark and Dan disagreed about whether a nursing home was really necessary. Cathy was tired of trying to keep the peace and had withdrawn from the situation altogether.

> What none of the three siblings had been able to admit was that they were uncertain about how to manage the additional costs of a types of long-term care for as long nursing home or their mother. The father, who had died 10 years earlier, had left enough money for Betty to live comfortably but not enough to cover an extended nursing-home stay. The burden of the expense would be on their shoul-

The Hudsons are just one ex-

bers. For most people, that's the real benefit.

-Woody Allen

The Women's Service League school cafeteria.

Lou Landes of Abilene, presented a program on the "Walk to Emmaus"

Both actions were tabled until

mings, iced cookies and tea.

In addition to the hostesses, those present were; J'Lynn Cooper, Saffron Gibbs, Carla Hooper, Tammy Young, Theresa Gerhart, Mincy Briley, Donna Guy and Deb Pritchard

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Benefit dinner for Toby Virden Feb. 7, Ballinger Com. Center

Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some

cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a

small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

17, 1999, through Saturday, Jan. 23, 1999. Winters Police Officers:

made, charges are pending at this time for assault.

Winters Police Department—754-4121

Ballinger Police Department-365-3591

Sheriff's Department—365-2121

There are no suspects at this time.

enforcement agency at:

· received a report of a criminal mischief in the 300 block of N. Main.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, Jan.

received a report of a disturbance in the 600 block of Willis. Victim did not wish file charges.

received a report of a disturbance in the 400 block of Redtner. Separation was

arrested Charles Forrest Vanpelt, 32, of Austin, for possession of marijuana.

• received a report of a disturbance in the 500 block of Jones. Separation was made.

received a report of a burglary of a motor vehicle in the 500 block of Vanness.

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which

leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does

not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestoppers tip, call your local law

forcement Association will sponsor a benefit dinner for Toby Virden on Sunday, Feb. 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Ballinger Community Center.

The Carry-Out only meal will include half a chicken, red beans and potato salad for only \$5.00. Tickets may be purchased in advance from the Runnels County Sheriff's office or Ballinger Police Department.

Toby, 28, was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma on Dec. 23, 1998, and is currently undergoing chemotherapy in Abilene. He has finished two of twelve scheduled treatments to be given every two weeks, and says his oncologist in Abilene is "ecstatic" with his

The Runnels County Law En- ray taken before his last treatment on Jan. 15 showed a fifty percent reduction in the size of the tumor in his chest. He says he's feeling good and very thankful to be "out and about."

"My war with cancer is just starting but it is a war that we are winning together," says Virden.

has also broadcast Blizzard sports at KRUN next week.

In addition to the benefit dinner, accounts have been set up at Security State Bank, Winters branch, as well as First National Bank of Ballinger and Ballinger

According to Toby, a chest x- National Bank.

He worked at the Winters Police Department for about two years and the Ballinger Police Department for several years. He on KRUN radio in Ballinger and plans to return to full-time work

Official Records **County Court**

Criminal January 19

Raylene Duke Coulson, Novice, filed for driving while intoxicated

Dispositions Geraldine Kitchen, theft of merchan-

dise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 plus \$184.25 court costs, \$35 hot check fee, restitution \$110 Jerry Lee Alvarado, assault, case dismissed, defendant convicted in another

case, complaining witness requested dis-Rolando Arreola Sandoval, assault, pleaded guilty, fined \$500 plus \$184.25 court costs

Lisa Marie Ingram, possession of marijuana, case dismissed for community service restitution

Genaro Maldonado Alfaro Jr., driving while license suspended, case dismissed, defendant convicted in another

Randel Dale Fontenot, driving while

intoxicated, pleaded guilty sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$2,000 plus \$224.25 court costs and 24 hours community service Gayle Ilene Hunter, driving while in-

toxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$209.25 court costs and 30 hours community service Marguerite Bishop Hagood, driving while intoxicated, second offense, pleaded

guilty, sentenced to one year in county

jail, probated to two years, fined \$1,500

plus \$209.25 court costs and 50 hours community service Christine Lee Clayton, driving while intoxicated, second offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to one year in county jail, probated to two years, fined \$1,500 plus \$209.25 court costs and 80 hours

community service **Marriage Licenses** January 19

Lyndon Joe Ivey Jr. and Betsy Barnett January 22

Catarino Rivera Jr. and Jo Anna Christine Fry Ortiz Demetrio R. Luna and Joe Dee Ann **District Court Divorces Filed** January 19

Lebecca Davis vs. Michael Manley Gidget Plumley vs. Bruce Plumley January 21

Maudie Pearl McNaley and Everett ders.

Justice of the Peace Court Precinct 1 Criminal January 11 Bill Turk, filed for theft by check

January 15 Jerry N. Schmidt, filed for purchasing furs from unlicensed person January 16

Zachery Busenlehner, filed for minor in possession of alcohol Adam Busenlehner, filed for minor in possession of alcohol

January 6 Armando Perez Jr., filed for burglary

of building with intent to commit theft unauthorized use of motor vehicle Carlos Pena, filed for burglary of building with intent to commit theft, unautho-

rized use of motor vehicle Michael Wayne Escobar, filed for burglary of building with intent to commit theft, unauthorized use of motor ve-

Jose Antu, filed for burglary of building with intent to commit theft, unauthorized use of motor vehicle

January 20 Douglas Edward Gray, filed for unauthorized use of motor vehicle January 21

Jennifer Duran, filed for forgery by passing Lloyd Henry Smith, filed for felony

driving while intoxicated January 15 Texas Department of Public Service vs. Gary Lynn Thomas, administrative hearing for driver's license suspension

January 21 Felipe Villareal vs. Ruth Rodriguez, forcible detainer

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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

Have you seen these people?

Editor's Note: Nancy Masters Robinson, a friend of Charlsie's, sent this belated holiday newsletter. Nancy is a journalist, author, pilot, and motivational speaker. She and her husband Bill have traveled all over the world. Charlsie shares this newsletter as this week's column.

Yep, that's us. Tongues draggin' and tails waggin'!

It's a new year, and we're packing to take off for Nancy's first speaking engagement of 1999 in Springfield, III. However, we couldn't let 1998 end without updating you on the family:

CHOW DOG got her annual haircut just in time to survive the worst summer of her life. She looked like a peeled orange when Bill brought her home, but she can't see anyway so she was mighty happy. She remains "Boss Dog," sight or no sight.

DEAF DOG didn't miss an arrival all year. How she knows to be at the road to greet us each time we return, we don't know, but it's a good bet Chow Dog is her ears, and she is Chow dog's eyes. They make a great team.

STREAK DOG continues to have the worst case of dog breath due to her enormous delight in dragging up dead stuff. Her motto is "If it stinks, it's mine." Streak is the first to greet visitors, and we figure her breath is the best security system there is. Foes leave quickly.

PUP is still pup. Does whatever the big dogs do. The old wooden barrel of dirt on the front porch remains her favorite sleep spot. She is particularly fond of UPS trucks and drivers, and weinee

POUND CAT is his magnificent self. The enormous blob of fuzzy yellow butter has mastered the art of being totally useless. He salmon from Alaska's Kenai can sleep 20 out of 24 hours, much of it on his back with his feet kicked up in the middle of the living room floor. Or, on top of whomever happens to stretch out

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Charlsie Poe

on the couch. He has turned the living room decor into "early fur

CLEVELAND has a fabulous year mousing. We know because he brought most of them in the house to show us. He does his best to bring one in that's still squealing and toss it under the dining table when we have company. Just call him Mr. Hospital-

MADAM put in a busy year in the writing room sleeping on Nancy's lap throughout every writing assignments. Madam is old, but she's not slow when it comes to getting to the food plate. Or running from Bill when it is time for her cortisone pill. She is a total frump lump.

LITTLE GIRL CAT has only two speeds: stop and go. Cleveland adores her and she adores Friskies Gourmet dry crunches. One rattle of the box and the calico cutie will come leaping out of wherever she is snoozing. She also loves to crunch mouses.

As for Bill and Nancy-well, this picture made at bush pilot Ellen Paneok's home in Alaska last September says it all. We're still laughing and loving every minute of our wild and crazy lives. We were totally unsuccessful in getting the animals to cooperate for a family photo this year, so this one will have to do. They are getting even with us for being gone so much.

Highlights of 1998 for Bill include catching record-size silver landing in a Messerschmitt 108 grams for meetings and conven-

(not so much as a scratch to anything except his knuckles from cranking the gear down) and receiving the Air Mobility Command nomination for the Frank G. Brewer Award which recognizes the nation's most outstanding contributor to aviation education. We don't know when we'll hear the outcome of the final competition conducted by the National Aeronautics Association. Regardless of who is selected for the trophy, Bill will always be the winner to those of us who know his passion for flying.

Bill has lugged boxes of books for Nancy from one end of the country to the other, kept her on time for her speaking engagements (an achievement that is nothing short of miraculous), and on Christmas Eve he was at the mail box drop at the downtown post office trying to stall the guy in the mail truck while Nancy frantically stuck stamps on the envelope containing her Kansas manuscript for Grolier's "America, the Beautiful" series. Barely made it!

We both went on the same diet this year—Bill lost 35 pounds, Nancy gained 15. Nancy's new series of four books for kids, "Airplanes of World War II" published by Capstone Press, came out in March. They're a super success. She has since completed two major book assignments for Grolier (Georgia and Kansas) which will be out this year. And can you believe that after 21 years her "Ups and Downs" aviation column got moved up to the Sunday Living section of The Abilene Reporter-News. Wow! Does this means she's finally hit the big

Between writing deadlines, Nancy spoke to more than 50,000 kids from Orange to Oshkosh, and at hundreds of schools in between. River, making a perfect forced She also did motivational pro-



BILL AND NANCY ROBINSON laugin' and lovin' every minute in Alaska during one of their many travels. They were special guests at the home of Ellen Paneok, bush pilot. Unfortunately, their pets refused to pose and, therefore, could not be included in this year's annual family photo.

tions all over the United States. One highlight of her year was being the keynote speaker at the Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony in the House Chambers of the State Capitol. She was followed by Governor George Bush. "Ladies and gentlemen," she told the audience, "I grew up poor on a Jones County cotton farm and frequently found myself behind the bush. But this is the United States of America, and today the Bush is behind me."

bye to some special friends. We ior, and come go with us! also made some new ones. We To sum up 1998, we're outta suffered disappointments and cel-grass, outta' water, and outta' debt. ebrated successes. We learned One out of three ain't bad.

never to count our losses, only our blessings. Of all the places we went and things we saw, nothing makes us happier than turning in the road to home even if the tank is almost dry and knowing we have you for friends.

The Lord is great, and greatly to be praised. We don't know what sorrows or joys await 1999, but we know Who will be with us, no matter the when or the where. We can hardly wait to see all that the Lord has planned. We pray you'll In 1998 we had to say good- accept Him as your Lord and Sav-

Bill, Nancy, and the Family

Deadline near for personal ads

The Winters Enterprise wants to get personal! Actually, we want your personal ads for a Valentine's Day special section to be published Feb. 4.

The section will include feature articles and advertisements specifically for the sweethearts holiday.

Ads are priced at \$3 for twenty words and should include Val-

entine messages. We are offering this opportunity to both junior high and high

school students as well as the general public. Secondary students will be able to place their ad at the school

office. Forms and envelopes will be supplied.

The forms should be filled out completely and placed in sealed envelopes along with the \$3.

The general public can purchase ads at our office, 104 N. Main.

Deadline for all personal ads is noon, Monday, Feb. 1. We reserve the right to edit or refuse any and all ads.



February 28 Friends of Mary Lynn Pritchard Presley will hold a benefit barbecue and auction on Sunday, February 28, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Winters School Cafeteria. An auction of donated items will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Benefit barbecue

and auction for

Presley, Sunday,

Mary Lynn

A special fund for Mary Lynn has been set up at the Security State Bank in Winters for donations or they can be sent to the Mary Lynn Presley Benefit Fund in care of Cheryl Bryan, 106 S. Main, Winters, Tx 79567.

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Mary Lynn, hairdresser, softball coach, and lifelong Runnels county resident, was diagnosed with cancer in November '98. She had a lumpectomy about a month ago and is undergoing chemotherapy at M.D. Anderson in Houston for six months.

She has given unselfishly of her time and energies to her community, church, and the sports that she loves. As she had done in the past, she is facing this challenge

Mary Lynn has insurance, but there are many expenses involved with her treatment and recovery that are not covered.

Cheryl Bryan and Mary Slimp co-organizers of the benefit state, "The spirit of West Texas shows itself in the way our communities support their citizens during a time of need. Please try to attend the barbecue and invite anyone you can to attend. Any donations for the auction or to the fund will be appreciated."

If anyone would like to send a card or letter, her address is Mary Lynn Presley, 401 CR 341, Winters, Tx 79567.

March 1 deadline for writers' contests

March 1 deadlines have been set for two contests sponsored by the Austin Writers' League, a nonprofit organization for writers.

Each year, in an effort to encourage young writers and promote creative expression, the organization honors Texas high school students for outstanding writing endeavors in the Young Texas Writers Awards program.

Awards for the contest, which is open to students in grades 9-12, include three savings bonds, ranging from \$50 to \$150, in each of four categories: poetry, short story, essay, and journalism.

The Fourth Annual Teddy Book Award, which honors an outstanding children's book published between January 1 and December 31, 1998, includes \$1,000 cash and a trophy.

All children's books - fiction or nonfiction, picture books to young adults — are eligible, but must be written by a member of the League; however, authors may join at the time the entry is submitted.

This award's name was chosen because teddy bears, like children's books, are classic timehonored childhood symbols cherished by children and adults alike.

All entries must follow 1999 guidelines and include an official entry form, available from the Austin Writers' League, 1501 W. Fifth St., Ste. E-2, Austin, Texas

For more information or entry forms, contact the Austin Writers' League at (512) 499-8914.

Articles received after Monday will be printed the following week Attention sweethearts—

The Winters Enterprise reminds all individuals, clubs, and businesses of submission deadlines. Any news turned in after the deadline will be printed the following week.

Noon Monday is the latest date to turn in news articles and retail advertising. Classified ads will be accepted until 5 p.m. Monday.

The Winters Enterprise would like to encourage everyone to turn in information as soon as possible to ensure adequate time for typesetting and reservation of space. Thank you for your coopera-

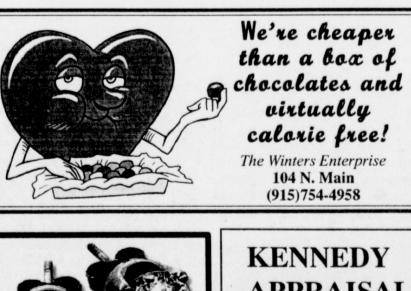
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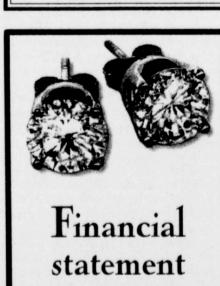
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COOPER FIDDLERS provided some foot-stompin', hand-clappin' entertainment at the Chamber of Commerce banquet Saturday evening at the Community Center. Now in their third year, the group from Cooper High School in Abilene consists of eleven student fiddlers and additional musicians playing guitar, pedal steel guitar, piano, drums and bass. Under the direction of Mark Best and Linda Bratton, the popular group has opened the show for the Country Tonight Theatre in Branson, Missouri. They have been selected to perform at the National School Boards Association 1999 annual conference in San Francisco. They were invited to Russia for the International Junior Olympics, and also performed with Sony classical recording artist and famous fiddler, Mark O'Connor, in San Antonio at the Texas Music Educator's Association convention.

Thomas Rice wins Geography Bee

Thomas Rice, a 6th grade stu- and Roger Kruse dent at Winters Elementary School, won the school level competition of the National Ge- Larry Nitsch ography Bee on January 13, 1999.

The school level Bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the 11th Annual National Geography Bee. The Bee is sponsored by the National Geographic Society and Bank One. A \$25,000 college scholarship will be awarded to the national winner of the competition.

The kickoff for this year's Bee fin was the week of November 30 when students began participating in individual grade contests. Those winning their grade level competitions include the follow-

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Kathryn Hatler, daughter of Lou Ann and Jim Hatler.

Thomas now advances to the next level of competition by taking a written examination. Up to 100 of the top scorers in the state will be eligible to compete in the state Bee on April 9. Alex Trebek, host of "Jeopardy!" will moder-Steven Kruse, son of Rhonda ate the national finals on May 26.

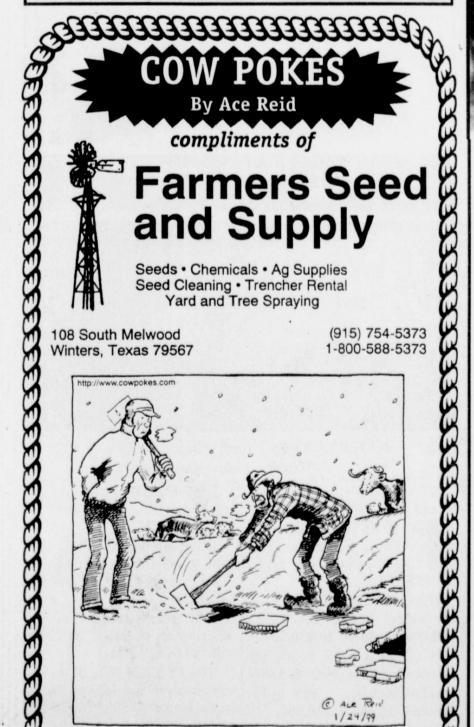


THOMAS RICE is congratulated by Winters Elementary principal Tammy Bright as the winner of the school level competition of the National Geography Bee.

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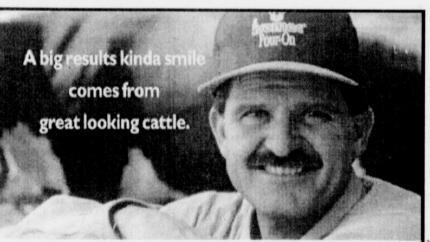
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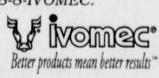
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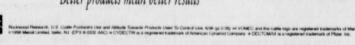
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Extension News & Views

By Patricia Hohensee, Extension Agent-HE

Artificial news about an artificial sweetener

sources have created quite a stir about the safety of aspartame.

Claims state that aspartame is the cause of practically every known illness including multiple sclerosis (MS), systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), and Alzheimer's disease. There is not one credible piece of evidence to back up any of these claims according to Extension Food & Nutrition Specialists at Texas

The causes of these diseases are unknown. The diseases existed long before aspartame was invented. The incidence of the first two has not increased since the introduction of aspartame; and, the incident of each of these has no known connection to consumption of this sweetener.

Aspartame is an artificial sweetener sold as Nutrasweet, Equal, or other brand names and is commonly added to soft drinks and many other food products that are processed without high heat. Heat breaks down aspartame.

This sweetener is made of two amino acids which are naturally found in most foods; it is simply the fact they are bonded together that makes them very sweet. People with the hereditary condition called phenylketonuria need

In recent weeks, Internet to avoid aspartame, but there are no other known problems.

One of the claims in the Internet letter is that aspartame generates methanol (wood alcohol.) This is true, but the amount of methanol in a can of diet soda is considerably less than in a glass of orange or tomato juice and MUCH less than a shot of liquor or a glass of wine.

Small amounts of methanol are completely harmless—the danger is from consuming lots of the stuff the way some alcoholics have done, leading to blindness and

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All the published studies on the adverse effects of aspartame indicate that, at worst, some people might experience headaches from it. Controlled studies have not verified this. Despite many selfdiagnosed problems claimed to be caused by aspartame, none have been verified by medical experts.

The Internet posting of unsubstantiated claims is just one example of people wanting to find a cause for conditions which have unknown etiologies. Simply because people yell (or write) loudly does not make their claims any more valid.

"National Child Passenger Safety Week"—

Children to urge elected officials to pass strong primary seat belt laws

by Karen Gruebnau, National Safety Council of Washington, D.C.

"National Child Passenger portant thing we can do as a na-Safety Week" will be unique this

dren in 36 states with weak secondary belt laws will visit elected officials in their state capitals urging them to pass a strong primary seat belt law to save kids' lives. These children will be speaking from experience — all have been, in some way, personally affected by the use of seat belts.

Traffic crashes are the leading killer of kids, and getting children buckled up is the single most im-

tion to protect them.

Passing a strong primary seat Beginning February 14, chil- belt law has proven to increase belt use on average by 15 percent.

New studies show that when adults buckle up themselves, they buckle up their children. In fact, adults who use seat belts are three times more likely to buckle up

That's why children will be asking their state legislators to enact a strong seat belt law for adults — to protect the children and their families.

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